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TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 8523

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: CDES GW (HANSSEN, NORMAN)  
SUBJ: DEATH OF NORMAN HANSSEN

REF: STATE 147757

TO: MRS. HAZEL HANSSEN  
BOX 1243  
LEESVILLE, LOUISIANA

1. THE OFFICIALS OF THE LOCAL HOSPITAL, BUERGERHOSPITAL OF FRANKFURT/MAIN, GERMANY, INFORMED THE CONGEN ON JUNE 20 ON THE TELEPHONE THAT MR. NORMAN HANSSEN, BORN AUGUST 7, 1910, REPORTEDLY AN AMERICAN CITIZEN, DIED ON JUNE 19, 1977 AT 13:30 HOURS, REPORTEDLY ON EMBOLISM.

2. MR. HANSSEN REPORTEDLY WISHED TO BE BURIED BESIDE HIS MOTHER, ELIZABETH HANSSEN, WHO REPORTEDLY IS DECEASED AND LAST LIVED AT 7591 WEST ADDISON STREET, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

3. TO SAFEGUARD MR. HANSSEN'S APARTMENT THE CONGEN HAS REQUESTED THE LOCAL COURT AUTHORITIES ASSISTANCE TO APPOINT A CUSTODIAN FOR SETTLING THE ESTATE. IT IS UNKNOWN AT THIS TIME WHETHER MR. HANSSEN LEFT A LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OR DIED INTESTATE.

4. REGRETFULLY I MUST DRAW YOUR ATTENTION TO THE NEED TO MAKE UNCLASSIFIED

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URGENT ARRANGEMENTS. LOCAL LAW REQUIRES LOCAL BURIAL OR THAT ARRANGEMENTS BE MADE FOR SHIPMENT WITHIN 5 DAYS AFTER DEATH. WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW AS SOON AS POSSIBLE WHETHER OR NOT YOU WISH TO HAVE YOUR HUSBAND'S REMAINS RETURNED TO THE U.S. IF YOU DESIRE SHIPMENT, PREPARATION AND AIR SHIPMENT OF REMAINS TO US WOULD COST \$2,875. CREMATION AND SHIPMENT CREMAINS TO US WOULD COST \$990. COST OF CREMATION AND LOCAL

BURIAL IS \$1,035. COST OF LOCAL BURIAL OF REMAINS IS \$1,380.  
ALL OF THESE COSTS ARE APPROXIMATE.

5. AFTER YOU HAVE MADE YOUR DECISION, PLEASE TAKE THE FOLLOWING  
ACTIONS:

(A) TELEGRAPH INSTRUCTIONS PROMPTLY AND DIRECTLY TO AMERICAN  
CONSULATE GENERAL, FRANKFURT/MAIN, GERMANY, AND INCLUDE THE NAME  
OF THE DECEASED IN YOUR MESSAGE. STATE WHETHER REQUIRED FUNDS  
ARE BEING TELEGRAPHED AND BY WHAT MEANS. INCLUDE NAME AND ADDRESS  
OF US FUNERAL HOME YOU SELECT IF SHIPMENT DESIRED.

(B) TELEGRAPH REQUIRED FUNDS SEPARATELY AND PROMPTLY THROUGH  
AMERICAN EXPRESS INTERNATIONAL INCORPORATED (TRAVEL OFFICE),  
5 STEINWEG, 6000 FRANKFURT/MAIN, GERMANY PAYABLE TO THE AMERICAN  
CONSULATE GENERAL.

(C) IF YOU ARE HAVING THE REMAINS SHIPPED TO THE U.S., YOU  
MAY WISH TO HAVE THE US FUNERAL HOME YOU SELECT MAKE THESE  
ARRANGEMENTS FOR YOU.

6. UPON RECEIPT OF THE REQUIRED FUNDS YOUR INSTRUCTIONS WILL  
BE CARRIED OUT AS PROMPTLY AS CIRCUMSTANCES PERMIT. WE  
ESTIMATE APPROXIMATELY THREE DAYS WILL BE REQUIRED FOLLOWING  
RECEIPT OF FUNDS TO CARRY OUT YOUR INSTRUCTIONS IF REMAINS ARE  
TO BE SHIPPED. UPON COMPLETION OF ALL FORMALITIES, A FOREIGN  
SERVICE REPORT OF DEATH PREPARED BY THIS OFFICE WILL BE  
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FORWARDED TO YOU.

7. IF NECESSARY, YOU MAY CONTACT THIS CONSULATE GENERAL BY  
PHONE AT (0611) 74 00 71, EST 229. YOUR IMMEDIATE DECISION AND  
ACTION WOULD BE APPRECIATED BECAUSE THE REMAINS, ALTHOUGH  
KEPT ON ICE, ARE DETERIORATING.

8. KINDLY INFORM THE CONSULATE GENERAL IF YOU HAVE EVIDENCE  
OF MR. HANSSEN'S AMERICAN CITIZENSHIP, PERHAPS IN FORM OF A  
BIRTH CERTIFICATE OR AN OLD PASSPORT OR OTHER TYPE OF DOCUMENT.

9. BE ASSURED OF MY DEEPEST SYMPATHY IN YOUR BEREAVEMENT.  
AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL  
FRANKFURT/MAIN, GERMANY. LEHMANN

NOTE BY OC/T: PASSED ABOVE ADDRESSEE.

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